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INSPECTION REPORT

Partial: XXX	Complete:	Exploration:					
Inspection Date & Ti	me: $01/05/200$	1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.					
Date of Last Inspection: 12/21/2000							

Mine Name: <u>Hiawatha Complex</u> County: <u>Carbon</u>	Permit Number: C	A COLOR X
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Hiawatha Coal Company		
Business Address: P.O. Box 1202, Huntington, Utah 84528		
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface	Prep. Plant	Other
Company Official(s): Nate Finley	_	
State Official(s): Wayne Western Federal Official(s): None		
Weather Conditions: Cold and clear skies, snow on ground		
Existing Acreage: Permitted 12707 Disturbed 290	Regraded	Seeded
Status: Active Reclamation XXX		

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - a. For <u>complete inspections</u> provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
 - b. For <u>partial inspections</u> check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

		EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1.	PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	П	П	П	П
2.	SIGNS AND MARKERS	<u>[X]</u>	$\overline{\Box}$	[X]	$\overline{\Box}$
3.	TOPSOIL		$\overline{\Box}$	П	П
4.	HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
	a. DIVERSIONS	\Box	П	П	П
	b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	[X]	$\overline{\Box}$	[X]	\Box
	c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	<u>[X]</u>	$\overline{\Box}$	П	
	d. WATER MONITORING	<u>[X]</u>	П	[X]	\Box
	e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS				Ц
5.	EXPLOSIVES	П	П	\Box	\Box
6.	DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES		П	\Box	
7.	COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	[X]	\Box	[X]	\Box
8.	NONCOAL WASTE		П	П	\Box
9.	PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED				
	ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES		\Box	\Box	\Box
10.	SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	\Box	\Box	\Box	\Box
11.	CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	[X]	\Box	[X]	\Box
12.	BACKFILLING AND GRADING	\Box	\Box	\Box	\Box
13.	REVEGETATION	\Box	\Box	\Box	\Box
	SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	\Box	\Box	П	
15.	CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	\Box	\Box	Ц	\Box
16.	ROADS:				
	a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	[X]	\Box	[X]	\Box
	b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	\Box	\Box	Ц	· []
	OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	П	\Box	Ц	\Box
	SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	\Box	\Box	\Box	П
	AVS CHECK (4th Quarter- April, May, June)	\Box	\Box	\Box	\Box
	AIR QUALITY PERMIT	П	\Box	Ц	Ll
21.	BONDING & INSURANCE	П	\Box	\Box	\Box

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PERMIT NUMBER: C/007011

DATE OF INSPECTION: __

(COMMENTS ARE NUMBERED TO CORRESPOND WITH TOPICS LISTED ABOVE)

2. SIGNS AND MARKERS

The inspector verified that signs were visible at all entrances to the disturbed area.

4B. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS

The sediment ponds in South Fork and Middle Fork were frozen and were covered with approximately one foot of snow. The inspector found no sign of discharge from the ponds.

4D. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: WATER MONITORING

During last month's inspection, Dave Darby and Wayne Western examined the water monitoring plan and data that is on file in the SLC office. The water monitoring plan in the MRP (SLC copy) had been marked superceded. The Division's staff investigated why the pages would be marked superceded and why no replacement pages were incorporated. The Division's staff found that the pages in the SLC copy of the MRP were incorrectly marked superceded and should have been marked incorporated. The Division is in the process of correctly marking the pages.

7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS

The permittee continues to ship coal fines from the slurry pond. Due to electrical shortages in the western United States the permittee expects to continue mining and shipping coal fines during the winter.

11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION

The permittee reported, during the inspection, that all reclamation activities ceased due to weather conditions. Those activities included backfilling, regrading, topsoil placement, seeding, and planting.

16A. ROADS: CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING

The roads up South Fork Canyon and Middle Fork Canyon were snow packed but accessible. The roads in the main surface facilities area were either dry or snow packed. Wind blown snow on the road near the slurry pond contributed to the State vehicle becoming stuck. A 5 CY front-end-loader was needed to retrieve the vehicle.

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining.

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